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By Stan Williamson Scout Staff

Survival in the desert is a serious subject to Willie Whitefeather, a member of the Cherokee Indian tribe. Everywhere he goes, he is quick to point out to the people around him, trees, cacti and other plants that are edible and can sustain a person lost in the desert.

Sunday, Whitefeather spoke to approximately 35 people in Carr Canyon on what they can do to save themselves if they find themselves stranded and alone in the high desert terrain of Cochise County.

He said, "there is food all around you, if you know where to look."

As an example, Whitefeather said the Yucca plant has many uses. It can be used for firewood, and its seeds are edible.

From the mesquite trees, which are abundantly available in high desert you can gather firewood, and the beans from the tree are good for making a flour like substance which can be used to bake bread and other foods. Whitefeather said "you can use the very new green mesquite beans to make a soup or the brown, dried beans for the flour."



Willie Whitefeather (left) teaches desert survival to a group of people at Carr Canyon House.

However, he warned, the "old green" mesquite beans are toxic and can make you very sick.

According to Whitefeather, the Gobi or Century Cactus plant has many uses to the desert traveler.

"If you are injured and have an open wound that requires stitches," he said, "the pointed end of the leaf can be used as a needle and the hemp like fiber of the leaf can be used as a sewing thread."

This plant can also be used for fire-

wood when dried, and the center stalk, which can grow very tall, is edible.

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He told the audience how to check this stalk to see if it was ripe for eating. "Push the stalk gently with your hands and if it only waves back and forth like a rigid board, it is not ripe. If the stalk bends and waves in several places as you push, it is ripe and ready to eat," he said. "Starting with the base, the plant will taste like vanilla pudding, a little further up and it will start to taste like celery and near the top of the plant, the taste will resemble a carrot."

Whitefeather showed his captive audience a wide variety of foods he found within 50 to 100 feet of the Carr House, where they were sitting. There were several types of berries, nuts and

At the heart of his presentation was his concern for the safety of others, especially children. Whitefeather has written and published two books on desert survival for children and proudly boasts of two separate incidents, where children who have become lost in the desert have said they survived because of the information they read in his

Golf Course draws complaints for maintenance

By Stan Williamson Scout Staff

What began as an individual complaint to the Commander's Hotline by George Johnson, president of the Greater Huachuca Men's Golf Club, culminated as a meeting at the 19th Hole Tuesday morning.

Attending the meeting were several members of the GHMGC, Katherlyn Ridlehoover, president of the Huachuca Women's Golf Club and several of the HWGC's board members, along with staff members of the golf course.

Johnson's complaint stated, "This is in reference to the horrible, unenjoyable, very wet, tall grass conditions of the Mountain View Golf Course fairways and around the greens, plus the cancerous conditions of the greens themselves.

"\$475,000 worth of greens dying a little each day. I would like to meet with you and your staff, along with me, my board of directors and a few members to tour the golf course at your convenience and discuss the golf course conditions, solutions to improve the conditions, the projected loss of annual dues payers and tens of thousands of dollars of revenue," he said.

Kay Williams addressed the assembled group first. She told about the tees not being mowed and some that are not level. Williams said she didn't expect the fairways or the greens to be level, but she does

want level tees to start from on each hole.

Golfers have certain expectations of any golf course they play on. And if there are problems with the course that was not designed into the course, that affects their score or handicapped, they tend to become upset. The fairways at the Mountain View Golf Course were next on Williams' list.

"They are unevenly cut, on some there is too much water, and the first cut of the rough is too high," Williams said.

According to Williams, the grass in the rough should be one inch high and the rough area should be between ten and 12 feet wide.

Keeping the grass cut is part of the course maintenance program. Dan Valle, director of Morale, Welfare and Recreation, said the maintenance supervisor has been authorized to hire up to 12 laborers to meet his work load needs.

Valle also said DMWR will convert six laborer positions plus two others to "regular, part time positions" at the Golf Course. He explained this move will authorize these employees for work-related benefits, leave and a raise.

Valle told the people at the meeting "We have contracted for the services of Dr. Gerald Wheeler of United Horticulture Supply in Tucson."

Wheeler has already inspected the golf course and

issued a detailed report with specific instructions on how to correct the greens and irrigation. His report also addresses problems with pruning trees, roots and other problems at the Mountain View Golf Course.

Valle emphasized that Wheeler said "We are not in danger of losing the greens." Wheeler will visit MVGC on a monthly basis to review maintenance performed and make other suggestions to improve playing conditions.

Both Johnson and Williams said they have seen a lot of improvements at the course over the last month. Valle told the audience. "I am down here on a day to day basis now."

He acknowledged that until recently he had devoted most of his time and energy to the other programs run by the DMWR, and that he realizes the importance of the golf course to its members and to the fort.

In response to a question about contracting, Valle said the operation of the golf course would not be contracted out. Another person asked if it would be possible to get a "second opinion" on the condition of the golf course?

The speaker offered the name of Don Martin, an expert on design and construction of golf courses, who

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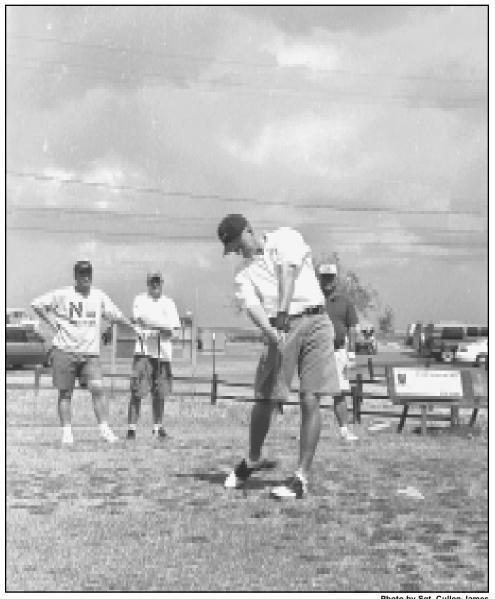


Photo by Sgt. Cullen James

The Mountain View Golf Course here has come under fire from local golf groups complaining of poor maintenance.

lives in the Phoenix area. Valle agreed to contact Martin for his services, if he is available.

One of the first things Valle presented at the meeting, was information on the new course manager. "Mr. Kim Broughton reports for duty on Aug. 28," he said. Valle described Broughton as having great educational and experiential backgrounds.

According to Valle, the new manager has 132 college credit hours with a major in chemical engineering. He has also worked in many of the positions found on a golf course, such as the maintenance crew, greens superintendent, and he has managed golf courses in Louisana, Guam and Dugway Proving Ground, Utah.

Valle displayed the current and proposed capital purchases and minor construction plans for the golf course. During the current fiscal year, purchases will include a dump truck, greens mower, repair of the wash rack, carpet replacement, canopies for the mowers, and 10 new golf carts to replace the oldest carts in the 42-cart fleet. This will cost approximately \$92,500.00.

In fiscal year 2001, plans call for the purchase of seven more golf carts, a Jacobs Fairway Unit, a pickup truck, Greens King, spreader, rough cutting mower, backup reels, a MVGC road gate and replacing the top dresser. Estimated cost for FY01 is \$138,400.00.

Valle said work continues on the NAF Major Construction Project on the irrigation system. It is estimated this will cost between \$1.5 and \$2 million,

but there is a problem with an Army Regulation that says appropriated funds cannot be used to fund irrigation systems on golf courses.

"We are asking for a waiver on this regulation due to our location, and the fact that the [irrigation] project now has a higher priority because of environmental issues," Valle said.

He also said, "We may end up having to fund the irrigation system at the local level."

Valle reported on efforts to get Orion Foods Corporation to look at applying their concepts [microwave products] for the 19th Hole and some other areas within the MWR operations. If this is possible, Valle said they may be able to offer breakfast at the 19th Hole.

On the subject of the 19th Hole, Valle said the clubhouse has been profitable, but if the hours and services are to be increased, it must remain profitable.

Valle told the golfers that he, Col. Michael Boardman, garrison commander, U.S. Army Intelligence Center and Maj. Gen. John D. Thomas Jr., commanding general, USAIC& FH were totally committed to fixing the problems at the golf course and making it the best it can be. He added that he wanted to continue the open dialogue with the two golf clubs and to work closely with them in resolving problems at the

Don Medley, a member of the GHMCC said, "I appreciate what has been done already, and I like seeing people working on the course."

Scot Scoreboard

1999/2000 Commander's Cup Finals:

"AA" League		USMC	340
Unit	Points	ASC	320
E/305th MI	895	HHC, 40th Sig.	300
A/306th MI	850	B/86th Sig.	235
MEDDAC/DENTAC	770	C/86th Sig.	230
A/304th MI	660	D/40th Sig.	225
B/305th	640	HHC, 111th MI	220
69th Sig.	425	NAMTRA	205
269th Sig.	235	A/40th Sig.	140
A/305th MI	200	C/40th Sig.	140
B/304th MI	140	D/86th Sig.	135
"A" League		B/40th Sig.	130
Unit	Points	EPG	125
19th Sig.	795	HHD, 504th Sig.	100
HHC, 11th Sig.	595	NCO Academy	7

The above Commander's Cup Points include the following: Sept. 1999 through Aug. 2000 A&R meetings, the Road Race series, Flag Football, Racquetball, Basketball, Volleyball, Bowling, Track and Field, Thunder Mountain Marathon, Golf and Softball.

Congratulation to Company E, 305th Military Intelligence Battalion ("AA" League) and 19th Signal Company ("A" League) in winning the Commander's Cup Trophy for 2000.

2000/2001 Commander's Cup events and meetings begin September. For more information call 538-2010.

Pvt. Murphy's Law

By Mark Baker



Fishing Report

By Rory Aikens Arizona Game and Fish Department

Rory's Fishing Tips:

Upper Lake Mary near Flagstaff looks like a good choice right now for walleye, especially in the early morning and evening using crankbaits or worm harnesses. Alamo appears to be the hot spot for largemouth bass, and Havasu this past week has had the top striper fishing honors. With the moon waning, topwater fishing for largemouth bass could really get

going on many of the warmwater lakes, and topwater action for stripers on Colorado River lakes could also take off.

SOUTHERN WA-TERS

TUCSON URBAN - The urban lakes were stocked the week of July 12 with channel catfish; this was the last stocking for all urban lakes until mid-September. Due to very low oxygen levels, Lakeside has experienced an almost total fish kill. Anglers are reporting very slow fishing at Silverbell and Kennedy, but are still catching some bass, catfish and sunfish. Buy a two-pole stamp and try different baits to double your chances. Those anglers showing patience are taking home fish.

RIGGS FLAT -Water conditions have improved and it is scheduled to be stocked this week. Due to high pH, Riggs had not been stocked since mid-May. Check with the Forest Service, Safford Ranger District, for camping and fire restrictions at (520) 428-4150.

CLUFF RANCH - Slow for warm water species, although some crappie and bass are being caught. For lake information call (520) 485-9430.

ROPER LAKE - Slow for bass, and catfish. For largemouth bass try fishing jigs along the breaks and outside edges of the cattails. Good for sunfish; use worms in shady areas. For lake information call (520) 428-6760.

DANKWORTH POND - Poor for all species. For lake information call (520)

428-6760.

ARIVACA - The oxygen level is not stable and the lake is experiencing some fish kills. Surveys show fair numbers of small bass, but almost no fish exceeding 12 inches. No other fish stockings are planned until September or October when water quality stabilizes. Due to elevated mercury readings in the warm water species, (bass, sunfish and catfish) it is recommended that these fish not be eaten until further notice. Catch and release should be practiced.

PENA BLANCA - The boat ramp at

Pena Blanca Lake has been repaired. Fishing is fair to good for bass, best fishing at night. Recent surveys show a healthy bass population with good numbers of fish in the 15 to 18-inch range. Use artificial worms in rocky areas where the aquatic vegetation is less dense for largemouth bass. The weeds have been cut, so fishing access has improved. Due to elevated mercury readings in the warm water species (bass, sunfish, crappie and catfish), it is recommended that these fish not be eaten until further notice. Catch-and-release should be practiced. For lake information

call (520) 281-2296.

PATAGONIA -Fishing is fair to good for warm water species; bass, sunfish and catfish. Best fishing is early morning, late evening and at night. Recent surveys show excellent populations of bass and sunfish. Try artificial crayfish or worms close to the shore at breaks in the cattails. Try worms in shady areas for large bluegill and redear sunfish. Crappie fishing is fair. Channel catfish are biting on worms, hotdogs or stink bait. For lake information call (520) 287-6063.

PARKER CANYON - Fishing is fair for warm water species (bass, cat-fish and sunfish). Try artificial worms or night crawlers. Lots of small northern pike in the 12 to 15 inch range are being caught. Try flies, corn, worms, and Power Bait, crankbaits and spinner baits. The limit is six northern pike. Anglers are encouraged to try to catch this illegally introduced species. The water level is rising; boat launching is not a problem. For lake information call (520) 455-5847.

PICACHO RESERVOIR - Due to extremely low water conditions Picacho Reservoir experienced a fish kill.

ROSE CANYON LAKE - Water quality conditions have improved and it will be stocked this week. Was last stocked with rainbow trout late May. Stocking was been suspended due to high water temperatures. For lake and camping information call (520) 749-8700.



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By Sgt. Cullen James Scout Staff

Currently available for rental:

CIDER HOUSE RULES

Miramax Films (Directed by: Lasse Hallstom; Starring: Tobey Maguire, Charlize Theron, Trevor Fuller, Delroy Lindo, Paul Rudd, Michael Caine, Jane Alexander, Kathy Baker, Heavy D, Erykah Badu.)

Rated PG-13: Mature thematic elements, sexuality, nudity, substance abuse and some violence.

Family Factor: This film deals with an orphanage doctor, his protégé and obstetrics. The theme is probably a little too in-

tense for children, but it's a solid PG-13.

A powerful and poignant movie about an orphan who just wants to experience life. Tobey Maguire plays Homer Wells, born in an orphanage and named by the doctor who helped bring him into the world.

We see from the beginning that Homer is a special kind of kid — inquisitive, studying and quick to learn. Two families attempted to adopt him, yet neither works out. So, he stays at the orphanage and becomes Dr. Wilbur Larch's (Michael Caine) protégé.

The first half of the movie is dedicated to establishing Homer and Dr. Larch's characters. Larch, the nurses and Homer all work to keep hope alive in the chil-



Michael Caine plays Dr. Wilbur Larch in "The Cider House Rules." A benevolent and caring man who does what he thinks is right.

dren. Larch and Homer also perform medical surgeries when needed.

The medical aspect provides part of the film's main moral dilemmas. It's the 1940s, and Dr. Larch is performing illegal abortions. Homer at first accepts Larch's logic — not wanting to bring more unwanted children into the world — but then begins to resent it.

While Homer's resentment is growing, his lust to see the outside world is also expanding. He's trained by Larch as an obstetrician, but holds no degree. When Larch calls him a doctor, Homer continually reminds him, "I am not a doctor."

Homer's dissatisfaction comes to a head when the orphanage is visited by Army Lt. Wally Worthington (Paul Rudd) and his girlfriend Candy Kendall (Charlize Theron). Wally's about to go back to war, and Candy's pregnant. So, they come to the orphanage to get an abortion.

Homer seems particularly bothered by this, and winds up leaving with Wally and Candy and becomes an apple picker at Wally's mother's orchard to Dr. Larch's dismay.

He learns the craft fast and begins to really enjoy his work. Wally soon leaves, and Homer begins to spend more and more time with Candy despite the warnings of apple picker Rose Rose (Erykah Badu).

Homer and Candy become closer and closer while he's introduced and accepted more and more into the apple picker's world. Homer is the moral center of the film and these different events help redefine him.

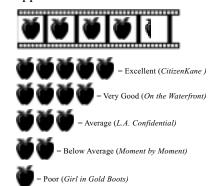
Eventually, Dr. Larch writes Homer asking him to come back to the orphanage and take over the operations. Several letters are exchanged and Homer continues to insist he's not a doctor.

The film climaxes with dramatic flair and concludes well.

Tobey Maguire is excellent in his role. He has an understated presence that comes across magnificently. Michael Caine is equally good although he occasionally slips back into his British accent. Charlize Theron proves she's more than a pretty face as she adds romantic-interest drama believably.

Also, musicians Heavy D, and Erykah Badu pull off their roles admirably.

I give the film: four-and-one-quarter apples.



MY DOG SKIP

Alcon Entertainment/Warner Brothers (Directed by: Jay Russell; Starring: Frankie Muniz, Kevin Bacon, Diane Lane, Luke Wilson, Bradley Coryell, Daylan Honeycutt, Cody Linley, Caitlin Wachs.)

Rated PG: Some violent content and mild language.

Family Factor: It's a pretty light PG and should be appropriate for most age groups.

Frankie Muniz is Willie Morris, a young boy growing up in Yazoo, Miss. The film is based on a true story written by the real Morris. It chronicles the life of Morris who as a young boy had no real friends and took refuge in books until for

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Photo copyright Miramax Films

Charlize Theron and Tobey Maguire star in "Cider House Rules."

Shwings

Today — THE PERFECT STORM - George Clooney, Mark Walhberg - Based on a true story, the film tells of the courageous men and women who risk their lives every working day, pitting their fishing boats and rescue vessels against the capricious forces of nature. Their worst fears are realized at sea one fateful autumn, when they are confronted by three raging weather fronts which collide to produce the greatest, fiercest and most destructive storm in modern history. (Language and scenes of peril.) Rated PG-13.

Friday Aug. 25 and Wednesday Aug. 39 — THE IN CROWD - Susan Ward, Lori Heuring - Adrien has spent time at a psychiatric hospital, learning to come to terms with a troubled past. She is looking for a quiet anonymous life as she beings to reenter society. Her new job on the staff of a posh country club is where she meets the "in crowd"

- a clique of attractive, wealthy young people who will do anything to protect their group and the lethal secrets they harbor. (Violence, sexuality, language and drug content.) Rated PG-13.

Saturday Aug. 26 and Sunday Aug. 27
— THE KID - Bruce Willis, Spencer Breslin
- If you had a chance to meet yourself as an
8-year-old child, would that kid be happy with
who you turned out to be? In 40-year-old
Russ' case, the answer is a resounding "No!"
Russ somehow finds his life turned upside
down when he magically meets Rusty - himself as an 8-year-old child. (Mild language.)
Rated PG.

— Unless otherwise indicated, all shows start at 7 p.m. Ticket are \$3 for adults, \$1.50 for children. Wednesday, Thursday and all matinee shows are 99 cents.

— NOTICE: The Cochise Theatre is closed Mondays and Tuesdays.

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Photo copyright Alcon Entertainment/Warner Brothers

Frankie Muniz as Willie Morris with his dog Skip.

his ninth birthday he's given a puppy.

The dog, Skip, helps Morris become friends with kids who before were just bullies. His canine companion also bridges the gap between Willie and Rivers Applewhite (Caitlin Wachs), "The prettiest girl in Yazoo."

Meanwhile, Willie's next door neighbor and only real friend, Dink Jinkins (Luke Wilson), is being sent off to war. Dink is Yazoo's sports hero and favorite son, so when he's sent off there's a lot of mourning throughout the town. But they all look forward to it, knowing they're going to, "Kick Adolph's butt."

Willie gets Skip shortly after Dink leaves, and once Skip is grown, Willie's life begins to take a dramatic turn. It starts when Dink sends Willie a letter from the war with a German helmet and equipment belt. The other boys become jealous and start trying to pick on Willie by beating up on him in football and making him stay the night in a cemetery. He struggles through both and becomes accepted by them. While making friends with the boys, he also begins spending time with Rivers, who he got to know through Skip.

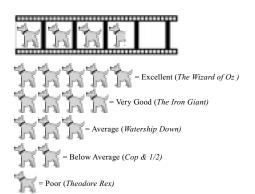
Jack Morris (Kevin Bacon) is Willie's dad. He lost a leg in the Spanish Civil War and is very overprotective of Willie. While Willie is playing harder and accu-

mulates more friends, Jack slowly becomes more accepting of his son's desires to do these things.

The film concludes with a huge fast-forward to Willie leaving for college. Skip is old and the inevitable happens. But the film moves at a decent pace and is a pretty good "slice of life" from a more innocent time.

Frankie Muniz, known by many as Malcolm from "Malcolm in the Middle," is great as Willie Morris. This young boy shows tremendous capacity for emotion and versatility as an actor. Kevin Bacon fills his role well, but is overshadowed by the story. Luke Wilson is good as Dink, but the role is developed more in his absence than by him.

I give the film: three-and-three-quarter dogs.





Baseball legend honors military

By Dean Sprague Army News Service

For 10 years, New York Yankee baseball legend Phil Rizzuto has held an annual celebrity golf tournament and awards dinner, which is called the "Scooter Awards."

Scooter was the name given to Rizzuto for his lightning speed on the ballfield.

This year, inspired by Tom Brokaw's two books "The Greatest Generation" and "The Greatest Generation Speaks", Rizzuto honored the armed forces and the USO (United Service Organization) for service to country.

"We've chosen to honor the brave men and women who've spent time in the Armed Forces in service to our nation during war and peacetime, " Rizzuto said.

As part of the evening's events Mon-

Baseball greats Yogi Berra (left) and Phil Rizzuto flank Retired General John Tilelli who is now President and Chief Executive Officer of the United Service Organization. The USO was awarded a "Scooter" for their support to the armed forces. (Photo by Dean Sprague.)

day in New Jersey, Rizzuto, a Hall of Famer, also honored Brokaw, Bob Hope, "Beetle Bailey" creator Mort Walker and some of his baseball contemporaries like Ted Williams, Bob Feller, Yogi Berra and Stan Musial—all who also served in the Armed Forces during World War II and the Korean Conflict.

The U.S. Army Band (Pershing's Own) played a pre-awards patriotic concert, and members of the Old Guard marched the colors on stage to a packed house of nearly 500 people.

Some three dozen members of the armed forces were in attendance and invited on stage when the USO received its Scooter. In addition, a USO troupe from New York City and comedian Richard Klein entertained.

The senior military officer present at the dinner was Maj. Gen. Evan Gaddis, the Commanding General of the U.S. Army Recruiting Command.

Gaddis awarded the DoD Distinguished Public Service Award to Ms. Hazel Cathers which was signed by Secretary of Defense William Cohen. Cathers is the director of the USO General Douglas MacArthur Memorial Center, USO of Metropolitan New York.



Parent University

This year, Parent University will be held September 11 through September 21 at the Murr Community Center. Parent University is a program of classes assembled by Army Community Service in an effort to make good parents better. We recognize parents today have many challenges, doubts, fears, and questions about parenting issues. We have asked a group of the best qualified and competent professionals in the community to present classes on a wide variety of topics. Our hope is everyone will find something of interest they can use to make their job of being a good parent easier.

Our graduation Speaker will be Dr. Kevin Leman, Thursday 21, from 6 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. and Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

Dr. Leman is an Internationally-known psychologist, author, radio personality and speaker. Dr. Leman has taught and entertained audiences worldwide with his wit and common sence psychology.

This best-selling "Relationship Doctor" has made house calls for numerous radio and television programs including Oprah, CBS' The Early Show, Live with Regis Philbin, The Today Show, the View with Barbara Walters. Dr. Leman has served as a consulting family psychologist to The Good Morning America Show.

Dr. Leman's professional affiliations include the American Psychological Association, American Federation of Radio and Television Artists, National Register of Health Services Providers in Psychology and the North American Society of Adlerian Psychol-

Dr. Leman attended North Park College. He received his Bachelor's degree in psychology from the University of Arizona, where he later earned his Master's and Doctorate degrees. Originally from Williamsville, New York, he and his wife, Sande, live in Tucson with their five children.

Some of Dr. Leman's best-selling books include: The New Birth Order, Making Children Mind Without Losing Yours, Bringing Up Kids Without Tearing Them Down and What a Difference A Daddy Makes.

Registration for Parent University is open to resi-

dents of Fort Huachuca, Sierra Vista, and the surrounding communities. All classes are free, two hours in length and conducted at Murr Community Center on Fort Huachuca. On site child care can be provided if requested at the time of registration. Child care should be requested

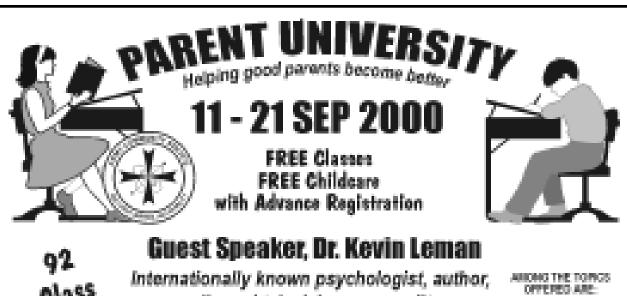
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only if absolutely necessary for your attendance.

All students completing a minimum of 24 hours will receive a diploma indicating graduation from Parent University at Fort Huachuca, Arizona.

You may register by calling, Army Community Service at 533-6880.

Some classes have limited seating capacity, so register today to insure attendance in the classes of you choice. Now, come and learn to be the BEST parent you can be.



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radio and television personality.

Dr. Leman has taught and entertained audiences worldwide with his wit and common sense psychology. Dr. Leman's session are:

Thursday, September 21, 6 - 8:30pm Friday September 22, 8:30 - 11:30 am

Classes held at Murr Community Center Building 51301 • Fort Huschuse

For further information, call Army Community Service

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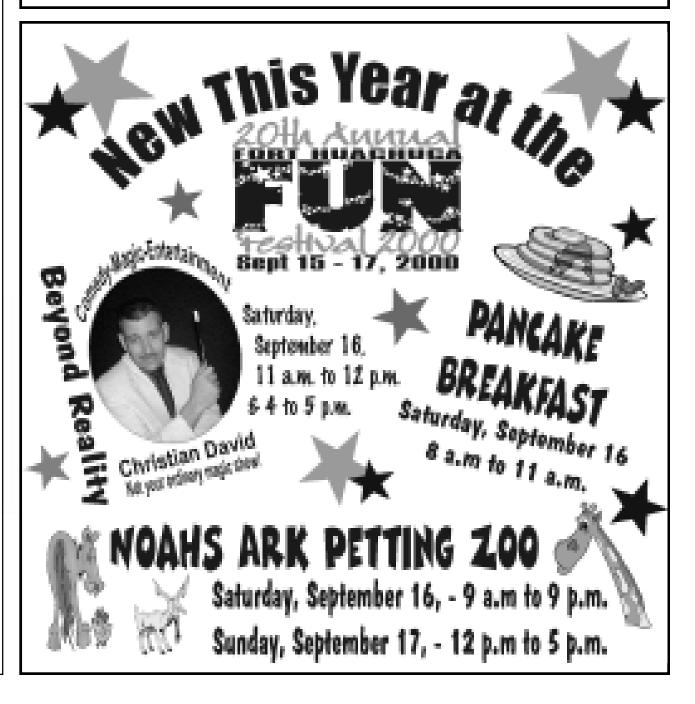
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Back to School Dances

Youth Services will be holding Backto-School Dances at the Youth Center. For grades 6-8, Saturday August 26, from 7-10 p.m. The cost is \$2. For highschool, Saturday, September 2, from 8 p.m.-12 a.m. The cost is \$2. For more information please call the Youth Center at 533-3205.



Overnight Trail Ride

The Buffalo Corral will offer an overnight trail ride to Garden Canyon on September 23. The ride will leave the Buffalo Corral at 8 a.m. on September 23. You

will ride the foothills of the Huachuca Mountains into Garden Canyon and up to the Boy Scout cabin of Sawmill Canyon. All food is included; a great steak dinner, a cowboy breakfast and two box lunches catered by the Lakeside. The price is \$98 per person for authorized MWR patrons and \$125 for civilians. Reserv ations and a \$50 non-refundable deposit required by COB on the 14 of September and total payment required by COB September 20. For more information call the Corral at 533-5220.



Welcome to Korea

Are you getting ready for an assignment to Korea? Everyone is invited to join your ACS for an informative evening on Korea, Thursday, August 31, from 6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. at Army Community Service. Come and learn about Korean culture; try a taste of Korean food and visit with people who have been there.

This evening is designed to make your move to Korea as smooth as possible. To register for Welcome to Korea please call Army Community Service at 533-2330 or 533-3682.



Changes at La Hacienda Club

Starting September 1 La Hacienda and Pepperoni's will be adding to their lunch time menu. From 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., Monday through Friday, we will be offering a Daily Sandwich Special.

Monday, Grilled Cheese or Grilled Ham and Cheese; Tuesday, French Dip with Au jus; Wednesday, Bacon, Lettuce, Tomato (BLT); Thursday, Deli Ham and Turkey with Swiss Cheese; Friday, Tuna on toast with lettuce and Tomato. All Sandwiches will be served with chips.

New Game Room

The Boots and Saddle Room, at the La Hacienda Club, will become a new game room, starting September 1. From 10 p.m. to 2 a.m. every Friday and Saturday evening, except when there is a private function, you can play cards, dominos, etc. Bring your own cards and dominos, form your own teams and have fun. For any competitions, La Hacienda Club will help with advertisement.

The same rules apply to the game room as the club. No fighting and gambling. Even with the slightest perception of either, the game room will be closed. For more information, contact Jeannie Gray at 533-3802.

Labor Day Closings

Just a reminder that the Sportsman's Center will be closed on Sunday, September 3, in observance of Labor Day.

Also the La Hacienda Club and Pepperoni's will be closed on Monday, September 4, for Labor Day.

Top cadet leaves wheelchair to max PT

By Brendalyn Carpenter Army News Service

WASHINGTON — Lt. Gen. John M. Keane, vice chief of staff of the Army, presented the Hughes Raytheon Trophy honoring the outstanding ROTC cadet for 1999 to 2nd Lt. Daniel C. Wood II during a Pentagon ceremony July 28.

Wood, who started his senior year in Columbus State University's ROTC program in a wheelchair following a skydiving accident, said he was determined to recover and earn his officers commission by graduation date, May 1999.

In addition to reaching that goal, Wood was voted last year's most

outstanding cadet by the Cadet Command

board of officers after they received numerous nominations and letters of recommendations from college professors in the ROTC

"You don't know half the story of what he's gone through to get here," said Lt. Col. Gery B. Truitt, Columbus State University professor of military science. In August 1998, nine month's before he was to earn his commission, Wood suffered a broken back, crushed pelvis, broken right femur, and broken ribs in a recreational parachute jump.

"The doctors told me I'd never walk the same way, or run like I did in the past, but that wasn't acceptable," Wood said. "I felt very strongly and had faith that I'd be able to do those things again."

"I could have been broken in spirit and mentally, but the accident gave me the most significant challenge in life-to learn, literally, to walk again," Wood said.

"Lieutenant Wood is obviously a very impressive young man who's already amassed at this young age an incredible record of achievement," Keane said. Since entering the Green to Gold program in 1996, Wood has consistently achieved top honors receiving two Columbia State University Superior Cadet awards in 1997 and 1998, Honor Graduate of the 6th Regiment at ROTC Advanced Camp in 1998, and the George C. Marshall Award in 1999.

Being a leader in the ROTC program, excelling in military and academic courses was nothing new to the Cordele, Ga., native who had attended his school district's "Gifted Program" from sixth grade through high school. Wood also demonstrated great personal courage, according to Truitt. After spending one month in the hospital, Wood returned to college and within seven months was "maxing his PT tests", Truitt said. "He's done a great job leading his fellow cadets-they still talk about him on campus."

Wood earned both a bachelor's degree in Criminal Justice and master's degree in Public Administration in three years with a 4.0 grade point average. He is now a military intelligence officer stationed in Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 1st Battalion, 508th Infantry regiment in Vicenza, Italy.

Rangers' wives battle heat, bugs, bogs

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CAMP JAMES E. RUDDER, Fla.— Emerging from the clearing tired and sweat- camaraderie and friendship, said Army Lt. ing from the sweltering 110-degree heat index, their camouflage-painted faces shone against the hot Florida sun. They were the few, the proud — the Army Rangers' wives.

Ninety-two women, comprised of Rangers' wives, female friends and other family members, participated in the Army 6th Ranger Training Battalion's annual Ranger Wives Swamp Walk here this summer.

The all-day event was created to give the

Rangers' wives and their friends an opportunity to get together, enjoy the experience of the Florida phase of Ranger school and build Col. Mark A. Johnstone, 6th RTB commander.

As part of Swamp Walk, participants attended a reptile education class. They saw and learned about snakes found in the southeastern United States. They also visited a pool located next to the reptile house where they learned about the three alligators that live

Afterward, the group divided into four squads and rotated through the weapons familiarization and rappelling classes.

Command Sgt. Maj. Gail Ernst, 6th RTB Ranger instructor, said the rappelling class is one of the most popular events at Swamp Walk.

"We get a lot of positive feedback from the wives," Ernst said. "Some of the participants who rappelled said they didn't think they'd do anything like that. But they got the courage to do so and were very proud of it."

Ernst's wife Joni was the leader of one of the squads. This was her first Swamp Walk. When she arrived at Camp Rudder last year, she could not participate in Swamp Wal.

Joni said that she may have experienced only a tiny part of Ranger training, but she has gained a greater understanding of her husband's job.

"You get to know other wives and the people your husband works with. Each time I go out there, I make new friends," said threetime Swamp Walk veteran Diane Perkins, wife of Ranger instructor Sgt. 1st Class Cory Perkins. "And later, it's fun to laugh and joke with the other wives about falling in the mud and our other swamp adventures."

Swamp Walk also gives the Rangers' wives a better idea of what it's like to be in their husband's boots, Perkins explained.

"Now they can understand why their bathtub constantly has a ring of swamp and camouflage in it," Diane said with a laugh.